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Dear Drs. O'Fallon and Lightbody:

Attached please find the proposal for the U.S. LHC Accelerator Research Program (LARP), which was prepared by the U.S. LHC Accelerator Collaboration of Fermilab, Brookhaven and Berkeley. Jim Strait is the Program Leader, and his accompanying letter describes the context for the proposal.

I have formed the U.S. LHC Accelerator Program Laboratory Oversight Group to advise me in my oversight role and to provide formal communication among the Directorates of the three laboratories involved. The members of this committee are Steve Holmes, Tom Kirk and Pier Oddone. After they reviewed the LARP proposal they recommended that I endorse the proposal and forward it to you.

I am pleased to accept this advice and send this proposal to you with my endorsement.

Sincerely,

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